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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SYNCHRONIZING AND SELECTIVELY ADDRESSING MUETIPES RECEIVERS IN A WIRELESS, SPREAD SPECTRUM COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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EXAMINER'S COMMENT

1. The Drawings of 09 April 2001 are hereby accepted as **FORMAL**.

2. Applicant is hereby **required** to supply a Substitute Specification for printing of the patent in that there is paragraph numbering on page 1 of the Specification, but there is none throughout the remainder of the Specification. Applicant must either have paragraph numbering throughout or have no paragraph numbering. Please see 37 CFR 1.52(b)(6). Correction is hereby required.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

On line 1 of claim 38, delete "27" and insert –37—therefor.

4. Since this Examiner's Amendment merely corrects an obvious typographical error, no authorization was sought from Applicant.

STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

None of the prior art of record either taken alone or taken in any possible combination would anticipate or would tend to render obvious Applicant's claimed method as set forth in independent claim 1 that is particularly characterized at by the claimed method steps of "transmitting a series of transmissions at a predetermined frequency, said transmissions separated by one or more clock intervals pseudo-randomly determined according to an initial code word loaded into a transmitter feedback shift register" and "using said receiver feedback shift register to carry out synchronized communication with the transmitter" taken together and taken in the overall context of independent claim 1.

Dependent claims 2-9 are allowable for at least the reasons for which independent claim 1 is allowable.

None of the prior art of record either taken alone or taken in any possible combination would anticipate or would tend to render obvious Applicant's claimed method as set forth in independent claim 10 that is particularly characterized at by the claimed method steps of "determining said initial code word in the transmitter feedback shift register from the measured relative times of arrival between the consecutive transmissions" and "matching a receiver feedback shift register to the initial code word, adjusted by an amount of time since receiving the first one of said consecutive transmissions, thereby synchronizing said receiver feedback shift register to the transmitter feedback shift register" taken together and taken in the overall context of independent claim 10.

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Dependent claims 11-14 are allowable for at least the reasons for which independent claim 10 is allowable.

None of the prior art of record either taken alone or taken in any possible combination would anticipate or would tend to render obvious Applicant's claimed method as set forth in independent claim 15 that is particularly characterized at by the claimed method steps of "determining said initial code word ..." as claimed on lines 11-12 of claim 15 and "matching a receiver feedback shift register ..." as claimed on lines 13-16 of claim 15, taken together and taken in the overall context of independent claim 15.

Dependent claims 16-19 are allowable for at least the reasons for which independent claim 15 is allowable.

None of the prior art of record either taken alone or taken in any possible combination would anticipate or would tend to render obvious Applicant's claimed method as set forth in independent claim 20 that is particularly characterized at by the claimed method steps of "transmitting a series of frequency-hopped transmissions ..." as claimed on lines 3-6 of claim 20 and "determining said initial code word ..." as claimed on lines 11-13 of claim 20 and "matching a receiver feedback shift register ..." as claimed on lines 14-16 of claim 20, taken together and taken in the overall context of independent claim 20.

Dependent claims 21-27 are allowable for at least the reasons for which independent claim 20 is allowable.

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None of the prior art of record either taken alone or taken in any possible combination would anticipate or would tend to render obvious Applicant's claimed apparatus as set forth in independent claim 28 that is particularly characterized at by the claimed "spread spectrum transmitter ..." as claimed on lines 2-5 of claim 28 and the claimed "synchronizing circuit ..." as claimed on lines 11-15 of claim 28, taken together and taken in the overall context of independent claim 28.

Dependent claims 29-36 are allowable for at least the reasons for which independent claim 28 is allowable.

None of the prior art of record either taken alone or taken in any possible combination would anticipate or would tend to render obvious Applicant's claimed apparatus as set forth in independent claim 37 that is particularly characterized at by the claimed "clocking circuit ..." as claimed on lines 10-11 of claim 37 and the claimed "synchronizing circuit ..." as claimed on lines 12-16 of claim 37, taken together and taken in the overall context of independent claim 37.

Dependent claims 38-39 are allowable for at least the reasons for which independent claim 37 is allowable.

None of the prior art of record either taken alone or taken in any possible combination would anticipate or would tend to render obvious Applicant's claimed apparatus as set forth in independent claim 40 that is particularly characterized at by the claimed "spread spectrum transmitter ..." as claimed on lines 2-6 of claim 40 and the claimed "synchronizing

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circuit ..." as claimed on lines 12-18 of claim 40, taken together and taken in the overall context of independent claim 40.

Dependent claims 41-42 are allowable for at least the reasons for which independent claim 40 is allowable.

None of the prior art of record either taken alone or taken in any possible combination would anticipate or would tend to render obvious Applicant's claimed method as set forth in independent claim 43 that is particularly characterized at by the claimed method steps of "transmitting, from a transmitter, a signal having an observable parameter which is pseudo-randomly varied"; "determining an initial state of said transmitter based upon said measured relative times"; and "synchronizing said receiver to an estimated current state of said transmitter using said determined initial state as a starting reference" taken together and taken in the overall context of independent claim 43.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

CONTACT INFORMATION

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Bernarr E. Gregory whose telephone number

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is (571) 272-6972. The examiner can normally be reached on weekdays from 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas H. Tarcza, can be reached on (571) 272-6979. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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